

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF TENNESSEE  
WESTERN DIVISION**

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ROWVAUGHN WELLS, INDIVIDUALLY )  
AND AS ADMINISTRATRIX OF THE )  
ESTATE OF TYRE DEANDRE NICHOLS, )  
DECEASED, )

Plaintiffs, )

v. )

CASE NO. 2:23-CV-02224

THE CITY OF MEMPHIS, A )  
MUNICIPALITY; CHIEF CERELYN DAVIS, )  
IN HER OFFICIAL CAPACITY; EMMITT )  
MARTIN III, IN HIS INDIVIDUAL )  
CAPACITY; DEMETRIUS HALEY, IN HIS )  
INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY; JUSTIN SMITH, )  
IN HIS INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY; )  
DESMOND MILL, JR. IN HIS INDIVIDUAL )  
CAPACITY; TADARRIUS BEAN, IN HIS )  
INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY; PRESTON )  
HEMPHILL, IN HIS INDIVIDUAL )  
CAPACITY; ROBERT LONG, IN HIS )  
INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY; JAMICHAEL )  
SANDRIDGE, IN HIS INDIVIDUAL )  
CAPACITY; MICHELLE WHITAKER, IN )  
HER INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY; DEWAYNE )  
SMITH, IN HIS INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY )  
AND AS AGENT OF THE CITY OF )  
MEMPHIS, )

Defendants. )

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**DEFENDANT JAMICHAEL SANDRIDGE'S MOTION TO BE  
EXCUSED FROM STATUS CONFERENCE SCHEDULED  
FOR MARCH 19, 2025 BEFORE MAGISTRATE JUDGE  
CHRISTOFF**

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**COMES NOW**, Defendant JaMichael Sandridge (“Mr. Sandridge”) by and through his attorney of record, and submits this, his Motion to be excused from Status Conference scheduled for March 19, 2025. In support thereof, Defendant Sandridge states as follows:

1. On March 11, 2025 this Honorable Court changed the date of a status conference scheduled for March 12, 2025 to March 19, 2025.
2. Counsel for Defendant Sandridge has a two (2) day trial in Nashville, Tennessee scheduled to begin on March 19, 2025.
3. Defendant Sandridge submits that the subject of the scheduled status conference will primarily involve the Plaintiff and City of Memphis.
4. As a result, Defendant Sandridge respectfully requests that this Honorable Court allow his counsel to be excused from the March 19, 2025 status conference.

Respectfully Submitted,

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#### **CERTIFICATE OF CONSULTATION**

I, Laura E. Smittick, do hereby certify that on March 11, 2025 I emailed a copy of the foregoing Motion to all counsel of record in an attempt to consult on this matter. As of the date of filing this Motion, no party has objected.

/s/Laura E. Smittick

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Laura E. Smittick

**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I, Laura E. Smittick, do hereby certify that I have forwarded a copy of the foregoing document through the ECF/ECM system on this 12th day of March 2025 to all parties in this case.

/s/Laura E. Smittick

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Laura E. Smittick